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SYNCOPE All petals nearly same shade of lavender marked with purple pin stripes. Medium tall plant.

All above are 1955 introductions. Price from 4" pots will be \$2.00 except for Lil' Abner which is \$3.00. Supplies are very limited.

Following are previous introductions of Mr. Outwater of Lindomar Nursery.

ALOHA - Upper petals rose-pink, lower petals lighter pink, salmon undertone. Extremely strong bushy, low spreading plant never needs pinching. Can go 2 or 3 years without pruning.

AMIGO - Dark red, large flowers. Compact bushy plant 18" to 24".

BUCCANEER - Dark blood-red, all petals almost no markings. Large open flowers. Plant strong, bushy, medium tall.

BLACK LACE - Opens showing bright orange stamens against petals darkest red-black, coal black veins throughout, ruffled, low compact.

BEACHCOMBER - Upper petals deep black with light raspberry edge, lower petals lavender-raspberry with small blotches and markings on petals. Very round flowers, petals overlapping, edges rolled over.

BIMBO - Rose-red to pink. Very close nodes making a round topped low plant of 12" to 16".

CASTELLAMARE - Magenta-red. Upper petals darker. Very showy.

DIXIE - Medium pink, dark blotches.

EASTER BONNET - Pale pink, rich rose markings on upper petals. Ruffled. A very large flower and very large umbels of flowers. Tops in any garden. Strong branched, medium tall but bushy.

EVENING SUN - Salmon-rose. Very bright, large flowers. Strong tall plant.

FLOWER BASKET - A basket Pelargonium. Bright rose-pink, upper petals deep rose. Low trailing grower, winter bloomer. (Every time I have seen this variety it has been in bloom. Bloom is not very outstanding but still pretty and very numerous.)

HAWAII - Pink tinged salmon with dark red blotches on upper petals. Edges ruffled. Medium tall but bushy grower.

JUNE BRIDE - Deep pink, upper petals deeper rose. Large flowers. A favorite. Clean bushy plant. Medium low.

LEI - Bright rose-pink. Blooms continuously but the plant always has good dark green foliage. (When comment is made by the Coastal nurseries that a plant blooms continuously it can be counted on to give a longer period of bloom inland and in the East that most other varieties. This is usually but not always true.)

LINDOMAR - "Old Rose". Faded rose effect but colors hold. No fading on second day.

MISS KAY - Soft pink, dark rose blotches on upper petals, light edges. All petals veined darker pink. Very ruffled.

NORTH WIND - White, very low, very compact.

PIRATE - Very deep black-red. Plant med. ht. but strong & bushy.

PURPLE ROBE - Purple and lavender. Showy, Good bushy plant.

RED BIRD - Bright red. Stronger branched and later blooming than Conspicuous.

RED RUFFLES - Rich red, petals very fluted and ruffled. Very large umbels of flowers.

RED WING - Magenta-red flowers. Very compact and bushy, medium height plant.

RED ROOSTER - Real bright red. Few darker markings. Very popular

STATUESQUE - White. Upper petals marked red. Very large flowers. Strong branched, medium height plant.

SOUTHLAND - Bright clear red, flowers few dark markings. Clean stemmed. Branches and leaves red tinged.

SUNGLOW - Upper petals salmon with large brown blotches. Lower petals flaming orange. Rather tall plant but bushy and strong.

SUSANNA - Variegated red petals with slight silver overlay. Very ruffled. Low but sprawling plant. Will basket.

SHOWBOAT - Showy lavender, darker markings. Prolific bloomer, fairly tall plant.

TOPHAT - Lower petals dark lavender-red. Upper petals purple almost black and tend to stand up straight as a tophat.

VELVET LADY - Dark red, resembles Jungle Night but plant stronger, more upright.

WILDFIRE - Bright red. Bushy medium height plant.

ZUMA WARRIOR - Red with black splashed as an Indian wearing war paint.

All of these plants from 2 1/2" and 3" pots are priced at .75. Numbers are still quite limited on most of these so your early consideration is important.

It might be well to mention that several varieties produced by Thos. Hosmer of Escondido are included in the standard list. These will later be separated and this price list superseded by another.

Valentine Girl - ruffled dble. appearing florets, burnt orange blotches and plum veining on upper petals. Apricot-pink
 Velran -
 Ventura -
 Vera Watts - light rose-pink, veined and blotched crimson
 Waltztime - double appearing bright silvery orchid
 White Wings -
 Wolfgang Goethe - ruffled small brilliant dark red
 Succatan - red, nearly like Grand Slam, large florets.

All above varieties are .50 each from 2 1/4-1/2 or 3" pots. The descriptions are as accurate as it is possible for us to get them at this time. All orders are subject to propagation. We try to keep sufficient quantity of the more popular varieties on hand to take care of all orders. It would be physically impossible to predict accurately the demand for the older and rarer varieties. We recommend that you pick several alternates in your order. A card will be sent informing you when to expect shipment on those plants which are out of stock.

Later issues of Geraniumtown News will give further information on the descriptions of varieties not described in this list. They will also include our comments on these varieties.

We have found that Martha Washingtons are among the most difficult of flowers to accurately describe. Not only are there several colors and many shades in most bloom but they vary considerably under different cultural conditions. One variety in particular is brought to mind. Thirty-five miles from here on the coast it was a deep almost black red. Here it was a rich bright carmine red, many shades lighter. However all of these items are but small problems when the unbelievable beauty of the Martha Washington is considered.

OLNEY OUTWATER OF LINDOMAR NURSERY has been doing quite a bit of work developing new varieties of Martha Washingtons. Sometimes we have thought that a particular new variety did not merit introduction but in almost every case found that the public disagreed with us. In some cases the ones we thought very worthwhile were not in the least popular. Sometimes we could see no difference between certain new ones and existing varieties while others would inform us that the differences were definite and positive. All in all we believe that these new ones definitely merit your consideration and in the case of the first one listed we have a definite break. Mrs. Outwaters descriptions are used verbatim except for bracketed notes which are mine.

LIL' ABNER - Largest flowers of all - 4 to 5 inches. Rose and pink, upper petals dark blotched. A mutation. Must be seen. Plant medium low and compact (This plant truly has the largest florets I have ever seen in Martha Washingtons. This is material that should be of interest to all who are doing breeding work.)

ALL - MY - LOVE - a really new color combination. Upper petals brick-red with white ruffled margin. Lower petals white with lavender and purple markings which are more pronounced in cold weather. Good medium compact bush.

ALICE LOUISE - Striking salmon and pink combination with white throat. Very bushy, medium low plant. For really beautiful flowers try this one as a pot plant in partial shade.

BLUE ORCHID - Enough said.

JAMBOREE - Rich purple with lighter edge. Very large and spectacular. Ruffled. Petals veined with deeper color. Low spreading plant. Best purple.

LOVELY LADY - Pink, large, very ruffled. Lady Leslie type, much more compact plant.

MARILYN - Purple and lavender. Upper petals deep rich raspberry purple. Lower petals lavender. White center. Ruffled. A striking flower. Foliage cut-leaved. Extremely thickly branched plant.

NAVAJO - Another with very large flowers. More open than Lil' Abner, both flower and plant. Flowers resemble Royal Robe in coloration but darker.

PINAFORE - Salmon-red, somewhat marked. Good low bushy plant.

PINK FROCK - Rich pink with rose blotches on upper petals, white center. Ruffled. Most prolific bloomer of all. Plant strong branched, compact.

SANTA BARBARA - Beautiful low, bushy, self-branched plant. Flowers have all petals same shade of rusty red with black markings.

SPITFIRE - One of the small plant types similar to Lowell but somewhat better foliage and much better flower form. A brilliant mixture of red, black and salmon.

Las Vegas -
 Last Frontier - rose-pink, upper petals red blotches, dp. salmon
 Lavendar Quedlinburg - lavendar, showy
 Lavendar Queen -
 Leopard Lady -
 Lilac -
 Lilac Time -
 Louise Sanborn - bright salmon, black markings
 Louise Edna Cox - strawberry pink with brown blotches
 Little Tim - $\frac{1}{2}$ " florets, purple lower petals, dark purple upper
 Lucretia - very light pink
 Luis McKay - soft rose to rose orange
 Lucy Ann Leslie - silvery pink, large ruffled, very fine
 Maiden Blush - white, upper petals blushed pink
 Makensen or Mackensen - rose pink, some veining and spotting
 Majesta -
 Mardi Gras - white, slightly ruffled, veined and blotched
 Marek -
 Marie Rober - dp. magenta purple, black blotches, very large, fine
 Madam Loyal - pansy geranium, small purple & white florets, cute
 Marie Vogel - "azalea" red. Like Azalea but earlier
 Marquardt -
 Martha Washington -
 Mary Bard - white, magenta veining, leading white
 Mary Quinlin - dark "red-black" flowers, small wood, rather weak
 Merle - orchid pink, silvery sheen, large, showy
 Merriwether -
 Mrs. Bergeron -
 Mrs. Harrison - white, so veined pink as to appear pink appears dble
 Mrs. Nimitz -
 Nueheit Carl Faiss - silvery lilac, slightly ruffled, blotched
 O. Homer Bryan - rose-carmine, uppers white base, dark brown spots
 Oriental - dark plum shading to crimson and pink
 Our Frances - strawberry pink overcast salmon, veined, blotched
 Our Sweetheart -
 Palo Alto - light orchid pink, magenta veining, plum blotches
 Paso Robles - large single rose-cerise
 Peachblow - raspberry, blotched, veined dark red
 Pink Charm -
 Pink Crystal -
 Pink Fascination - med. lt. pink, upper petals veined to crimson
 Pink Gardener's Joy - strawberry pink, uppers plum vein, black spot
 Prairie Fire - rose-pink changing to bluish pink, novel
 Pride of Quedlinburg - lt. to dk. salmon, lge. blotches upper petals
 Ray Kellogg - soft salmon-red, lower petals white base, plum veins
 upper petals soft burnt orange, lge. black blotches. Good.
 Red Empress -
 Red Fantasy -
 Red Velvet - dk. red-black florets, med. size, small wood. Good.
 Rhapsody - upper burnt orange veined brown, lower cardinal, rose edge
 Rober's Ideal - lower petals rose-pink, white throat, upper petals
 veined, blotched velvety crimson black shading to crimson.
 Rose of Ranelre -
 Royal Robe - mostly dark ruby red
 Ruffles -
 Ruth Ellen Kellogg - bright pink, narrow white edge all petals
 Salina -
 Salmon Springtime - cardinal red, ruffled pink edge, white center
 Salmon Splendor - dark salmon, brown velvety spots upper petals
 San Gabriel -
 San Diego - old time lavendar, plum blotches
 San Miquel -
 Santa Monica -
 Santa Ynez -
 Senorita - upper petals ruffled, bright burnt orange, veined brown
 rose edge, lower petals cardinal with rose edge.
 Senece Illa - ruffled, lt. clear pink, some veining, crimson spot
 Solano - pinkish salmon, nicely ruffled. Burnt orange spot upper
 petals, brown spot lower petals
 Springsong - rosy-pink, large crimson blotches upper petals
 Springtime -
 Stardust - large pale lilac sometimes flecked darker lilac
 Sue Jarrett - salmon-pink, maroon blotches upper petals
 Suzanne -
 Sydney Brown -
 Tangerine - pale salmon-red or rose-carmine
 Topper - clear pink, all petals some blotches
 Tunisia Imp. -
 Vagabond - dark maroon, white throat, narrow white edge to petals

Carmine Queen - light red, narrow wavy edge, low & spreading.
 Carnation -
 Challee - white, light magenta veining & blotches, strong, compact
 Champion -
 Charlotte Bryce - called reddish-blue?
 China-Rose - rich crimson shading to white, brown blotches, compact
 Chicago Market - lt. orchid pink, compact heads, ruffled, excellent
 Christi - white overlaid palest pink, open, very large florets
 Cinderella - small florets, rose-pink, white throat, crimson blotch
 Circus Day - dark pink to pale red, blotches upper petals, ruffled
 Clara Huntington -
 Conchita - upper petals velvety purple, lower light splashed darker
 Congo - crimson maroon to rose-velvet, black veining, large florets
 Crusader -
 Cyril Warren - bright rosy-pink, wavy edge
 Dainty Lady - blooms white, develops pink flush
 Daisy Banks - white with raspberry blotches, veined raspberry, ruffled
 Dark Beauty -
 Dark Mabel -
 Dean Darey -
 Discovery -
 Dream Girl -
 Duchess of Cornwall - dark plum shading to crimson & pink
 Duchess of Ken - pure white, some veining, ruffled. Good.
 Easter Bonnet - see Lindomar list
 Edith North - pinkish-salmon, brown blotches, free flowering
 Eldorado -
 Elsie Jarrett -
 Empress of Russia - good dark plum, white edge, nice plant
 Empress - could be identical with above, supposedly not.
 Ensign -
 Ernie -
 Ernest Bronton -
 Ernest Studerus -
 Esther -
 Ethelyn - crimson red, shading rich crimson to lilac rose, open
 Esther -
 F. B. Clause -
 Fiass Triumph -
 Fiesta Lady -
 Firedancer - (Bode 53) rich cardinal, ruffled floret with chocolate blotches & rich dark red sheen overlaying base color
 Firefly -
 Firestar - large bright red, star shaped
 Flame - bright orange, upper petals fiery orange
 Frau Krump - white overlaid pink blush
 Gay Nineties - white, large ruffled, veined, blotched. Good.
 Gardener's Joy - white, open, elongated petals, ruffled, blotched
 Gartenmeister Reiter -
 Geraldine -
 Georgette -
 General MacArthur -
 Gladys Kellogg -
 Glowing Embers -
 Goldilocks - pale salmon pink with slightly lighter edges
 Grace Armstrong - white, light magenta veins, ruffled
 Graf Zeppelin - rose-salmon, maroon spots, large
 Grossmama Fischer - bright salmon ruffled, good
 Gypsy -
 Gypsy Queen - same as above ???
 Harriette - dark crimson veined maroon black, rosy violet edges
 Heartbeat - rosy-red with white throat & narrow white border
 Holiday - white, faintly pink, ruffled, upper petals blotched
 Indian Chief -
 Indian Dawn -
 Imperial -
 Irene Ritchie - lower petals lt. rosy-salmon, upper red-orange with brown blotch, very showy, a good plant
 James weldon - med. dark red, dark blotches, excellent pot plant
 Jarrett's Beauty -
 Jarrett's Moonbeam -
 Jessie Jarrett - dark magenta, violet cast, lge. plum blotches
 Jo Ann -
 Joan -
 Joyce - dark maroon, white throat, purple shading, odd.
 Kate Borneman - pink, veined, crimson blotches
 Kate Brennan -
 Klarg Kenseck -

MARTHA WASHINGTON GERANIUMS
(Pelargonium domesticum)

Martha Washingtons do well and have quite long blooming periods in climates where the night temperatures do not go over 60 F. However there is an increasing amount of attention being paid to the problem of varieties that will have greater periods of bloom in the warm areas.

In our coastal belt of California a great number of the Martha Washingtons never stop blooming. We had one plant of Conspicuous that was continuously covered with bloom for over 18 months until an unseasonal frost hit after the plant had developed a great amount of soft new growth. That stopped the blooming and nearly finished off the plant.

The Martha Washington is truly Regal plant that it is called in England. Those of you who live in the East would do well to try some of these wonderful plants. If they are kept under cool greenhouse conditions you will find nothing more beautiful. Under average house conditions they will give a reasonable display of gorgeous bloom.

We are offering here a special of a select list of varieties that can usually be counted on for long period of blooming. In many areas these can actually be called everbloomers.

Cover Girl - ruffled light pink with light strawberry markings. A quite compact plant.

Conspicuous - semi-open florets ranging from dark bright red to nearly "black-red".

Easter Greetings - medium sized florets are a deep cerise-rose with orange-brown blotches on the petals.

Glendale - rose-pink flowers. Large shrub type plant.

Grand Slam - rosy-red with slight salmon sheen, large wavy petals. Upper petals blotched strawberry to black with touch of white near throat, some veining.

Lucy Becker - soft cerise-rose, small compact plant.

Mary Elizabeth - watermelon pink shading into white throat. Very free flowering. An excellent plant.

Misty Rose - carmine-red, lower petals cerise base, upper petals white base with large brown-black blotches. Heavy grower.

Orange Prince - rose salmon suffused orange. Shrub type.

Ruth Elenore - large very ruffled soft rose florets that appear semi-double. Large flower heads on vigorous plant.

Waltztime - very ruffled florets of bright orchid that appear double. Stocky growth, fine plant.

Zulu King - large dark brown blotches on bright carmine-rose petals. Florets become larger in semi-shade.

SPECIAL OFFER - THE ABOVE 12 EXCELLENT MARTHA WASHINGTONS WELL ROOTED FOR \$4.50 POSTPAID. (We reserve the right to substitute up to one-third of the above list with equally nice varieties should stock become short.)

Our list of additional varieties is very large and we are constantly acquiring new ones. Many of these we have not seen in bloom and cannot give any descriptions of them. Some may be almost identical to other varieties listed.

Adelia

Anita - pink, white center, crimson blotches.

Alice Eastwood - light rosy-salmon, white throat, dark brown blotches.

Amanda - Upper petals maroon, lower petals cardinal red, white center.

Anne Skinner -

Anna May Wong -

April -

Azalea - light azalea red florets in big heads.

Beacon -

Belinda - lilac with white edges and throat.

Ballerina - large ruffled apricot pink.

Belsey -

Bertha Wagner -

Black Prince -

Black Rhapsody -

Blue Boy -

Brentwood - very light pink much veined. Hardy plant.

Brilliant -

Burgundy - wavy "red-black". One of best "blacks".

Little Trot - 9 to 12 inches - cream edged (sometimes half or better of the leaf is cream) notched leaves on short stems. Bloom pink
 Mary Ann - rather cupped green leaf edged cream. Bloom orange-red.
 Mme. Languth, Wilhelm Languth - green leaf, creamy edge, faint dark brown zone, medium double vermillion flowers.
 Mme. Sallerol - dwarf, cream edged. No bloom
 Mrs. Cox - edge bright yellow, very wide zone splashed scarlet, crimson and brown. Small single light salmon flowers. Most colorful colored leaved under almost any conditions. Fairly strong but slow grower. 1.00 - available limited quantities in September.
 Mrs. Parker - cream edged, green leaf, double pink flowers.
 Miss Burdett Coutts - pale ivory border, bright zone of irregular splashes of rose-red and brown, small slow grower. Not difficult. Small single scarlet flowers. 1.00 - available September.
 Marechal MacMahon - yellow-green leaves with rust-red to brown zone well in from edge. Small single scarlet flowers.
 Pink MacMahon - larger leaf, larger zone, pink single flowers
 Prince of Bismarck - yellow green leaves, bright rust-red zone, small single light salmon flowers.
 Skies of Italy - maple leaved, edged yellow, strong brown zone that is splashed red, small single scarlet bloom. Very nice plant when fair sized and well grown.
 Single Mrs. Pollock - like double except single bloom. Nice.
 Verona - green to yellow green leaves, mostly rather chartreuse. small to medium salmon-pink bloom. Strong.
 Unless otherwise noted - .50 each

Our collection of species and scented leaved is very rapidly expanding. These comprise a group that has not yet received the popular notice that they should have. Leaf fragrances vary tremendously, some most pleasant, some almost objectionable. Due to lack of space this time all of them will not be listed. Any you desire that are not here, please request. All except when noted, of the scented leaved types will be .40 each. Some of the species will be higher. It might be well to note here that we are also collecting the other genera of the Geranium Family and have a good number of different varieties and species of true Geraniums, Erodiums and Monsonia on hand. Before any of these can be sent by mail we will have to learn a little more about their characteristics.

Arnd'ts Rose	Attar of Roses (capitatum)	Apricot
Apple	Apple Cider	Almond
Beauty	Beauty Oak	Blandifordianum
Crowfoot (radula)	Camphor-Rose	Clorinda
Cinnamon	Skeleton Rose (Dr. Livingston)	Fingerbowl
Old Scarlet Unique	Celandine Leaved	Dennsianum
Reneform	Kew Garden #36	Little Gem
Oak Haviland	Prostate Oak	Giant Oak
P. gibbosum	P. acetosum	P. scandens
P. echinatum (Sweetheart)	Silver Leaf Rose	Snowflake
Lady Plymouth	Round Leaf Rose	Fair Ellen
Robert's Lemon Rose	Old Fashioned Rose	Lady Mary
Prince Rupert	Variegated Prince Rupert	Village IIII
Dwarf Fingerbowl	Shrubland Rose	W. R. Kirsch
Staghorn Oak	Skelton's Unique	Capri
Mrs. Kingsley	Shottesham Pet	Lime
Pheasant's Foot	Fern Leaf (P. filicifolium)	Orange
Peppermint (P. tomentosum)	Almond	Ginger
Nutmeg	Fruity	Strawberry
wormwood, etc.		

We hope to devote a coming issue of Geraniumtown News solely to the scented leaved and the species. Please if you love these types, don't consider this listing a slight for we are especially fond of them too.

Scents vary somewhat. Most of these are quite readily identifiable but some take a very great stretch of the imagination. Most are very pleasant. All of the "Oaks" are pungent scented. Most have rather small flowers, usually in the magenta range although a few are larger flowered and other colors.

Almost all of these make excellent plants for in the house with some, such as the apple, having strong enough pleasant scent to be very obvious. Once a devotee of the scented you are stuck. Fragrant gardens are becoming very popular throughout the country and leaf fragrance is particularly valuable since it is there all of the time while bloom fragrance lasts only as long as the bloom - which in most plants is a very short period.

Fraicheur - double white, narrow red margin outer edge petals.
 Jeanne - single salmon, notched petals (Carnation)
 Maddar Rose - purple-cerise, double, florets somewhat separated
 Magenta Rosebud - cerise-red, small double rosettes
 Mr. Wren - scarlet nearly to edge of petal, remainder white. Like scarlet has been applied with paintbrush leaving jagged margin where it joins with white. Interesting.
 New Life Phlox - light pink with salmon or coral center
 Phlox - single white to light pink, center bright pink to light red
 Pink Rosebud - bright pink, largest of rosebud type
 Scarlet Rosebud - bright scarlet, nearly always in bloom

All of the above novelties, poinsettia flowered and bird's egg types are .50 or 10 for \$4.00.

Fancy-Leaved or Variegated Leaved Geraniums are varieties of Zonal Geraniums with unusual or different colorings or markings to the leaves. Most of these varieties are grown for their foliage and do not have especially large or outstanding flowers. A couple of the outstanding exceptions are Double Mrs. Pollock with very nice little double orange-scarlet bloom and Happy Thought with many nice little single vermilion flowers accentuating the lovely foliage. It is well to realize that environment has a very great effect upon the colors of the foliage.

The late Dr. Claude Fishbach of Fresno found that it was necessary to use a corrugated type of glass to get the fullest color in the leaves in the hot dry climate of the San Joaquin Valley while here in the Santa Clara River Valley we have considerable diffused sunlight in the mornings and full sun is needed. In general a considerable amount of sun is required to bring out the colors to the fullest possible extent.

Usually if there is a great deal of variegation to the leaves the plant will be somewhat weaker and slower growing than varieties without. Therefore special care must be taken to provide reasonably good cultural conditions. Good drainage and ventilation are the most important factors.

Our collection of this type is coming along very well but a considerable number are to be obtained yet. A few others are of such a nature that we will not have plants available this year. Orders will be taken for future delivery on these.

Attraction - green leaves, ivory border, single scarlet flowers
 Alpha - small shiny yellow-green leaves with rather wedge-shaped rust-red zone. The plant is rather semi-dwarf and bushy with thin hard stems. Small single scarlet flowers are produced in abundance. This one is a favorite variety with us.

Bronze Beauty #1 - yellow-green leaves, narrow red-brown zone, small single light salmon flowers. Slow grower.

Bronze Beauty #2 - scalloped yellow-green leaves, bright rust-red zone. Small single scarlet bloom, leaves seem to hold color well in hot weather.

Cloth of Gold - yellow to yellow-green leaves. Color varies with weather on fairly large leaves. Small single scarlet flowers.

Crystal Palace Gem - yellow to yellow-green leaves with center "butterfly" of dark green. small single scarlet flowers.

Dark Beauty - medium to small dark green leaves with large black blotch filling center of leaf. This is a low almost trailing type of plant with many single medium size orange-salmon flowers.

Distinction - small toothed and ruffled leaves with a very distinct narrow chocolate brown zone near edge. Called One-In-A-Ring very often, this variety is very different. Bloom cherry-red.

Double Mrs. Pollock - outer edge of leaf yellow, wide zone splashed scarlet, crimson and brown. The small double orange-scarlet bloom are quite nice. This is a fairly strong grower.

Flowers of Spring - best white or ivory bordered variety. Wide ivory zone. Leaf has somewhat drawn appearance. single small scarlet flowers. Strong grower.

Happy Thought - the "butterfly" geranium so-called for the fancied resemblance of the center yellow to ivory zone to the shape of a butterfly. Sometimes faintly zoned with irregular blotches of brown and orange. Strong, compact grower, single vermilion bloom.

Hills of Snow - very narrow white border to sometimes zoned, slightly silvered leaves. Small double light rose flowers.

Jane Maxwell - bright yellow edge, highly colored zone, brown splashed red. Single scarlet flowers. .75 some available in September. Very attractive plant.

Admiral Maxime Kovalesski - clear orange, free flowering
 Alice of Vincennes - white through light red
 America - white through red, a little more color than above
 Beauty of Glassenwood - light cherry red, small white eye.
 Berkeley Belle - white through very light red
 Carmel - white, narrow margin bright red around outer edge
 Cuba - medium orange - good sized flowers
 Crabbe - soft light red
 Dark California - rich cherry red
 Dawn Flush - light bright salmon
 Elenore Rober - light salmon pink shading to white edge
 Flame - scarlet, large heads
 Gertrude Pearson - rose-pink, white center, large flowers
 Helen Van Pelt Wilson - soft light pink
 Herrick - scarlet, compact
 Jacquerie - scarlet, tiny white dot in center
 John Forbes - scarlet, big heads
 La Fiesta - orange-scarlet, free flowering
 Lady Dryden - scarlet-red, white center upper two petals
 Lady Ruth - dark fuchsia with scarlet at base of upper petals
 Marguerite de Layre - clear white
 Marie Antoinette - light orange, large flower
 Mrs. E. G. Hill - light salmon, petals grouped two and three
 Nuit Poitevine - very deep crimson
 O. N. Conn - scarlet
 Paul Crampel - brilliant orange-scarlet
 Painted Lady - white through light cerise red
 Ramona No. 2 - white to light pink
 Suzanne Leepre - large rich salmon
 Salmon Queen - white through brilliant salmon
 Velma - large garnet red flowers
 Will Rogers - vivid purple crimson

All of the regular zonale geraniums are priced at .40 cents each or any 12 for \$3.50. Zonales can be counted upon for the best display of bloom of any of the geraniums under adverse conditions. These are the geraniums that will be found in every part of the world. We recently got a letter from a Korean friend in which he enclosed a picture of his seven year old daughter admiring a nice looking zonale geranium with nice large florets. His comment was that it was hard to keep any number of geraniums around because they made such valued gifts.

Zonales like the conditions found in most homes and thrive where few other plants would manage. Their very vigor has worked to their disadvantage in California where they are planted in spots no other plant would grow and then spoken of in disparaging words when they look somewhat ragged.

A rather interesting section of the zonales is the poinsettia flowered group. These are often called the cactus flowered geraniums and are somewhat more tender than other zonales. Petals are long narrow, sometimes straight, sometimes twisted and rolled. These plants will make interesting additions to your collection.

Crimson Stars - brilliant red single, long narrow petals curve backwards
 Hulda Conn - full double salmon
 Morning Star - brilliant double light salmon, yellow tone
 Noel - double pure white, curved petals, excellent
 Pink Poinsettia - double, soft pink, flat petals. Strong plant
 Poinsettia - brilliant red, long petalled double.
 Silver Stars - pure white single, petals curve backwards.
 Southern Cross - reddish-coral, large double

Bird's Egg geraniums are very fine collectors items. Several of them bloom very freely and would be most interesting plants even without the tiny carmine dots found on most petals.

White Birds Egg - white, sometimes very slight pink tint
 Light Pink - very free flowering light pink, dots show up well
 Rose Pink - single with good specks
 Lavendar Rose - double, strong plant.

There are several other novelties that always attract much attention where ever grown. We are sure you will like them very much.

Appleblossom Rosebud - white edged rose, tiny very double florets
 Cerise Carnation - cerise, large double, notched.

Zonale Geraniums

We are still very much in the process of accumulating varieties of zonal geraniums. Our present list is very short and incomplete. As we add additional varieties they will be listed in issues of Geraniumtown News. As with the other classes, we will do our best to give you an idea of the performance of many of these from time to time.

Always - double, soft delicate pink, enormous florets
 American Beauty - double, very large clear rose
 Alphonse Ricard - semi-double scarlet
 Anna Bluedorn - semi-double dark red, crimson cast
 Avalon Red - sport Radio Red, huskier, larger flowered
 Beaute Poitevine - semi-double, large pinkish salmon
 Berthe de Prisilly - double light pink, little white in center
 Better Times - double dark crimson, scarlet splash in center
 Bode's Salmon Supreme - double rich pinkish-salmon
 Bountiful - double soft coral salmon to salmon-pink
 California Beauty - semi-double to double, pink white center
 Dreams - double, good-sized salmon-pink to salmon-coral
 Double Dryden - double light clear red, white center
 Edna - double dark lavender pink with white center
 Elizabeth Bode - semi-double very large reddish-salmon
 Fiat - semi-double brilliant salmon-pink
 Fiat Enchantress - semi-double soft salmon pink
 Frances Perkins - semi-double to double, pink to rose-pink white center.
 Gregerson's White - semi-double pure white
 Hartman - double, bell shaped light crimson-red
 Heinrich's Buchner - double pure white, early strain Mme. Buchner
 Helen Mitchell - semi-double large orange-scarlet
 Improved Red Fiat - close or identical Helen Mitchell
 Improved Ricard - semi-double light brick-red or orange-scarlet
 Irvington Beauty - semi-double soft rose, salmon cast
 Jean Viaud - semi-double lavender pink, white center
 La France - double light salmon-pink, darker center
 Light Lawrence - semi-double, florets bloom white, change light pink.
 Madonna - double, large white
 Magenta Ruby - double, dark purple crimson, splash scarlet center
 Maria Wilkes - double, light pink, white center
 Marvel - double, medium sized red
 Marquise de Castelane - double, large rich crimson
 Mme. Buchner - double, pure white
 Mme. Jaulin - large semi-double, bright salmon pink center and soft cream on outer edge.
 Mme. Landry - semi-double rich clear salmon.
 Mrs. Lawrence - double small shrimp pink flowers in masses
 Mrs. Richard Gloede - double, clear rose, salmon cast
 Michael Buchner - double orange-scarlet medium size
 Mitchell's Sensation - semi-double, very large brilliant scarlet
 Orange Ricard - semi-double bright orange
 Olympic Red - semi-double clear light red
 Palmier's Salmon Supreme - semi-double light salmon
 Picardy - slightly pinker than above
 Pink Barney - double rose-pink, white center
 Pink Giant - semi-double large lavender-pink, white eye
 Pink Phenomenal - Slightly larger than above
 Polly Red - semi-double orange-scarlet
 Pride of Cambden - double dark crimson red
 Red Barney - double bright dark red, small plant
 Red Fiat - semi-double orange-scarlet, medium sized plant
 Red Landry - semi-double light brick red to orange-scarlet
 Radio Red - double clear red, sometimes quite dark
 Royal Times - double, light American Beauty Red
 S. A. Nutt - double, very large, dark crimson red, velvety sheen
 Salmon Ideal - semi-double clear rich salmon, like Mme. Landry
 Salmon Supreme - semi-double to double, darker than Palmier's
 Sandra Irene - double, brilliant clear red
 Seabright - semi-double large, some carnation type
 Springfield Shell Pink - double shell pink flowers
 Snowball - pure double white, larger but like Mme. Buchner
 Teddy Roosevelt - semi-double shrimp pink
 Wyona - semi-double scarlet

of replacing the original order. Please remember that in a list as extensive as this one there are sometimes very slight differences in varieties. This difference may be in the plant habit and hardiness instead of in the bloom. In the future we will do our best to point out the similarities and variances of varieties.

All varieties are offered for sale subject to propagation. In instances where we cannot supply items you have ordered immediately you will be notified as to approximate time the shipment can be made. It is impossible, especially for a new business to predict the demands for certain varieties and selection of alternative varieties wherever possible will greatly facilitate shipments. For shipments desired by air parcel post add an additional thirty cents (.30) per dollar of order above previous requirements.

GERANIUMTOWN NEWS will consist of occasional news-letter catalogs sent out to our customers reporting breeding progress, giving information on varieties, culture, disease and other pertinent information. We hope to include a gradual roundup of descriptions of the various varieties with reports from our customers as to the success or failure of these varieties in different localities. Issues will come out at irregular intervals depending upon the push of work here. These will be sent to all current customers and to others requesting them with the right to terminate at our discretion.

We invite your suggestions (may not always take them but will surely give any suggestion great consideration), new and criticisms. We hope that Geraniumtown will prove to be of real service to the horticultural world.

INTERNATIONAL GERANIUM SOCIETY - The Society is holding its third annual convention and second annual show in Santa Barbara, California over the weekend of June 11-12 with special sessions for those connected with the growing and marketing of geraniums commercially being held on June 10, 1955. Each convention of the Society has been much better than the last and this promises to be one really worth while attending. If you have not already made plans for it, how about seeing if the old budget won't allow a trip to Santa Barbara where you can meet with the finest people in the world - fellow geranium enthusiasts - in a very beautiful little city.

The IGS has had a most remarkable Board of Directors in its early history. As a result the Society stands today with no indebtedness, money in the bank and a growing and loyal membership. The conservative financial policy has not allowed the desired expansion in the publication "Geraniums Around The World" to date but the future is certainly looking bright.

We urge any customer, anyone on our mailing list to send three dollars (\$3.00) to the International Geranium Society, P. O. Box 231, Santa Paula, California for a years membership in the Society. Also it would help the editorial staff of the publication if you would be kind enough to write a little article on geraniums and send it in also. Not all articles can be used just as received, some must be cut, there may even be a surplus of articles at times, but most certainly your cooperation will be most welcome.

We recently received a letter from a Korean friend, Chong Mo Dong. In it was enclosed a picture of his young daughter holding a large flowered geranium. Chong stated that geraniums made such wonderful gifts that he had a hard time keeping many plants on hand. Anyone who has been in Korea and knows of conditions there first hand will probably wonder how anyone in the lower economic brackets can even manage to keep a plant alive over their cold winters. Devotion to the beauty found in geraniums certainly does surmount many great obstacles.

We understand that there are now four cities in California that consider geraniums their official flower. Why not consider it such for some of the Eastern cities? Interest certainly has built up here in the land of sunshine in the last three years. Formerly a flower of popular disregard, geraniums are now being featured in many Western publications. They just found it too easy to grow in California to be adequately appreciated until now.

One point that should be mentioned, we will keep orders or information on them first on our schedule. Should questions and friendly letters be rather delayed in getting answered, please forgive us. I still have to work elsewhere (W. Atlee Burpee Co., a very wonderful employer) for a living and during some parts of the year the job takes seven days a week and we are all hard put to keep up here during those periods. May we thank you in advance for all of your consideration.

Geraniumtown is a new venture which we hope will be of a great service to all who love geraniums. We, the Jackson family (Paul W.,ulah, Evelyn Jean and now my father and mother, Mark and Mary Jackson) comprise the human element in Geraniumtown. The plant element in our little nursery now numbers some 500 odd different varieties, species and we hope to increase that to include about 2,000 varieties and species that apparently exist at this time.

Many times the Jacksons have amassed collections of geraniums in various parts of the country. All have been lost through our various moves up until the present collection. This one is rapidly growing in shape and size.

We have always found it a difficult job to find places to buy any great number of varieties retail. Always the nurseries have told us that most of the varieties did not sell well enough to warrant being kept on hand so there were just a few standard ones available. Now we hope to be in the position of supplying all available varieties at the retail level as well as certain ones wholesale. Some of the varieties we will keep saleable plants on hand at all times, others will be propagated on receipt of orders.

Geraniumtown is being landscaped in the old style of rectangular, triangular and circular beds. We are now getting ready to build a little bower in the center of our propagating beds which we will try and cover with ivy geraniums. A couple comfortable seats will be built in it for your convenience when visiting here. All in all, we are attempting to make Geraniumtown a place you will want to visit leisurely and get well acquainted with all of the many different varieties and species of the Geranium Family.

Work has been coming along very well for the last couple weeks and if we can continue at the present rate all landscaping that we have planned for this year will be done sometime in April. Then work will start on the cold frames and propagating benches for next year. Almost all of our plants will be grown outside with no protection except from the frost. For frost protection we plan to use the usual orchard heaters (smudge pots). Our outside grown plants will give our customers good hard plants that may not look quite as well as glass or lath house grown ones but will stand up and do well under almost all conditions.

One of the main reasons for Geraniumtown's existence will be a heavy breeding program. We are planning to do a rather extensive job of crossing and selfing various varieties of geraniums this coming summer in order to get a better idea of just what their genetic composition is. Perhaps in the next few years we can learn a little more about them. In the meantime we will be doing as much practical selection work as possible with the aim in mind of producing harder, more vigorous as well as more beautiful plants. The potential of geraniums is enormous but largely unexplored.

Our breeding work will not be done behind closed doors nor kept secret. We will try to explain what we are doing and how it is being done to any and all of our visitors who are interested. Our love is for geraniums and if imparting such information can do anything to start someone else off on a program of breeding which will produce additional new and better plants we will feel well satisfied.

Many people who are in the business feel that large collections such as we intend to keep are most uneconomical and that business success, especially for a new business, is impossible under such conditions. We disagree with this premise but are going to need the support of a considerable number of customers before our disagreeing is anything but wishful thinking. That is where you come in. We appreciate any orders you feel like sending and would like to have you send us names and addresses of others who would be interested in the plants that we have.

We are also gradually adding a collection of Begonias, Primulas and Coleus to our stock. These groups are not far enough along to list any with this issue of the Geraniumtown News but you will find notes about them from time to time in future issues.

Our minimum mail order without extra charge is for two dollars (\$2.00) less than that, please include fifty cents (\$.50) for packaging and shipping costs. Orders of less than four dollars (\$4.00) please include twenty-five cents (\$.25) for each dollar of order for postage and handling charges. Over four dollars (\$4.00) we pay the postage. Prices are subject to change without notice. Terms are cash with order. Please make payment by check, money order or cash. We do not ship C.O.D.

Almost all of our plants will be from 3" pots. A few will be grown in 4" pots and some will be flat grown. Those propagated on order will be shipped as soon as a good root system has developed. All will be strong healthy well rooted plants. All names will be true to the best of our knowledge. In case of error or misunderstanding we assume liability only to the extent of